

Pope John XXIII Catholic Community

PARISH INFORMATION

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RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 p.m. or by appointment.

BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, ANOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERALS

Contact Msgr. Frecker

MSGR. FRECKER RESIDENCE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 14

8:00 a.m. NO MASS

Tuesday, January 15

8:00 a.m. Morning Prayer Service
7:00 p.m. Mary Patty Duryea
by Patty Drodofsky

Wednesday, January 16

8:00 a.m. Roland Simon by Emily Simon

Thursday, January 17

8:00 a.m. Marianne Babura by Family

Friday, January 18

8:00 a.m. Jim Sauer by Phil & Anne Brunney

Saturday, January 19

5:00 p.m. Paul Cornett by the Cornett Family

Sunday, January 20

8:30 a.m. Curtis McDonald & Nilene Postlewait
by Elizabeth McDonald
10:15 a.m. James Ritchey by Marianne Ritchey
12:00 noon The People of Pope John XXIII
by Monsignor Frecker

LITURGICAL MINISTER SCHEDULE January 19/20, 2008

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Julie Rubadue, Pat Smith, Kelley Stoltz,
Michael Yonnotti
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Joe Coontz, Brad Ewert, Leslie Fenik,
Linda Groom
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Don Sherman, Jason Snider, John Stanley,
Deb Beck
Sunday 12:00 noon Eleanor Wagner, Loren Dobbins

LECTORS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Kathy Buckland, Sean Cleary
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Jim Gerkin, Sheryl Gerkin
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Jackie Christensen, Price Kruse
Sunday 12:00 noon Teresa Iannaggi, Joanne Myers

SERVERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Eamon Cleary, Eric Felts, Emily Stoltz
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Danielle Garver, Colin Babcock, Brad Ewert
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Jonathan Patton, Kristen Pierce,
Mason Prater
Sunday 12:00 noon Kaitlin Muetzel, Zach Muetzel

GREETERS/USHERS:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Larry Felts, Lissie Scherer, John Kelly
Sunday 8:30 a.m. Elizabeth McDonald, Kent Riggs,
Renee Bergman, Scott Bergman
Sunday 10:15 a.m. Sharon Lang, Troy Kahrig, Mike Forsythe,
Ernie Winnestaffer
Sunday 12:00 noon Stephanie Ball, Bob Bottarini, Dorothy
Butsko, Emily Simon

NEXT WEEK'S SCRIPTURE

The readings for next week, January 19/20, 2008, the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time: Is 49:3, 5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34. To prepare yourself to hear the Word of God next week, please read over the passages ahead of time and spend a short time reflecting on how they relate to your life. We have Bibles available for purchase in the Parish Office or you can go online to our web site for the weekly readings. We pray Week I of the Liturgy of Hours.

PRAYER LINE PETITIONS

If you have a prayer request or would like to join the Prayer Line, please contact Anne Brunney at 614-837-3445. Please include in your daily prayers all those on our Prayer Line and those in most need of prayer in our parish.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

We are in the process of preparing the 2007 contribution statements. Please notify the Parish Office if you will need one and we will provide it for you. Thank you for your continued support of our parish.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION MEETING

This Tuesday, January 15, 2008, at 7:30 p.m., we will have a meeting for all parents or expectant parents who will be preparing for the Baptism of their child. This meeting is necessary prior to the Baptism; please call Deacon Pry if you are able to attend (614-920-1563).

MIDWINTER PARTY

Dine with the Stars at the "Oscar Night" Party in the Parish Social Hall on February 2, 2008. Dress for the Red Carpet as your favorite star or movie character. Bring your Oscar-worthy side dish or dessert to this adult-only potluck event. Red carpet arrivals to begin at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be at 7:00 p.m. Questions can be answered by Cindy Reed at 614-836-9671.

CARING STITCHES

Caring Stitches volunteers meet on the third Tuesday each month, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., in the Social Hall. Our next meeting is this Tuesday, January 15, 2008. Anyone with skills pertaining to sewing, knitting, or crocheting is welcome, as well as anyone who is interested in learning about these skills. Our projects include items for the homeless, Children's Hospital, and other charitable organizations. Also, any donations of yarns, material, batting, or fiberfill are more than appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Maribeth Zappia at 614-920-0874 or zmaribeth@hotmail.com.

THE PLATINUM CLUB

The next meeting of the Platinum Club will be on Thursday, January 17, 2008, at 7:00 p.m. It will be a dessert potluck, cards, games, or just conversation. This is open to all parishioners 55 and over.

"WHAT CHRISTIANS HAVE IN COMMON"

AN OPPORTUNITY FOR

ECUMENICAL SMALL GROUP FAITH SHARING

The Ministerial Associations of both Canal Winchester and Lithopolis are sponsoring an opportunity for you to meet with members of the other Christian Churches in our area for prayer, fellowship, and discussion. This gathering will take place on February 10th, at Pope John XXIII, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. It is important for us to respect the diversity that exists among the various Christians congregations, and to become more aware of the beliefs of other Christians. But it is also important for us to explore together the many things we hold in common through Baptism. "WHAT CHRISTIANS HAVE IN COMMON" is a time to celebrate the faith that is so dear to us and to learn more about the faith of others. If you are able to attend, please sign up in the back of church so we will know how many to plan for. Registration deadline is February 3rd.

RENEW

New Year's Resolutions – already a thing of the past?

Did you make a resolution for 2008? Have you kept it this far or have you already forgotten or broken it?

Maybe you overshot your expectations for change or underestimated the power of habits deeply ingrained. BUT IT'S NOT TOO LATE to resolve to grow in your faith and spirituality. Evangelization is not a program but a way of life. It begins when we accept God's Word into our lives. It continues as we proclaim that Word to others by living it out in service and witness. By virtue of Baptism, we are all called to share our faith. With the beginning of Lent 2008, Renew Season 4 will also begin. Resolve now to let RENEW help you to commit to a change of heart, a change of attitude, and a conversion from whatever blocks your relationship with God. "The fruit of evangelization is changed lives and a changed world – holiness and justice, spirituality and peace."



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WEEKLY OFFERTORY REPORT

Needed to cover expenses	\$7,440.00
Actual for January 5 and 6, 2008	\$6,495.00
Attendance	839

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Christian Services & Social Concerns Commission, we would like to extend our deep appreciation to all of the PSR students and teachers for collecting over 800 items for our servicemen. It was a wonderful and generous project and all the items will be greatly appreciated. We continue to send packages periodically and hope that these men and women will be in your thoughts and prayers every day.

PRAYER FOR OUR SERVICEMEN AND WOMEN

Lord, hold our servicemen and women in Your loving hands. Protect them, especially those who are in harm's way. Bless them and their families for these selfless acts they perform for our country in our time of need. Be with all people who suffer from the ravages of war. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen. Our parish family has many family members serving in the Armed Forces as well as others supporting our troops around the world; please keep them all in our prayers.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH

Jr. high students should have received their registration packet for the Bosco Bash on January 27, 2008. Please contact Crystal Adams (614-834-1148) if you have not received one and would like to attend. Bosco Bash will be held at the Salesian Boys and Girls Club, from 12:00-7:00 p.m. The cost is \$20.00 per student and includes all events, a T-shirt, transportation and dinner. We would love to have everyone attend. The registration deadline is January 13, 2008. Jr. high students will have movie night on January 20th. Please bring a snack to share and a movie that we can choose from and enjoy a nice evening indoors with a movie and some friends. We are starting at 6:00 p.m. and will go until the movie ends.

SANDWICH SATURDAY

Sandwich Saturday is on the fourth Saturday of each month. Saturday, January 26, 2008, from 8:00-9:00 a.m., we will have our monthly Sandwich Saturday. Last month, our volunteers made and delivered 1,340 sandwiches to St. Lawrence Haven to benefit the homeless and hungry. Please see the display in the Gathering Space for a form with the specific donation listed on it in order to help with this endeavor. Please return the donation to the parish by Saturday, January 26, by 8:00 a.m.; and if you are able, please stay to help make sandwiches. You may bring the items anytime during the week and we will keep them refrigerated to use for the sandwiches. Thank you to everyone for their help. God has blessed us with a generous parish family.

SPIRITUAL ADOPTION OF THE UNBORN

A commitment to pray daily for Life. With assaults on human life increasing at an alarming rate, the Respect Life Committee is asking you today to make a personal commitment to pray daily for one unborn child who is in danger of being aborted. Unfortunately, since the *Roe v. Wade* decision in 1973, the number of abortions has increased to 1.4 million annually. Each of us is being asked to "spiritually adopt" one unknown baby for the next nine months. We will pray daily for this child that he or she will be carried to term and experience the fullness of life, as God intended. For just a moment, picture a young woman who just this week discovered that she is seven weeks pregnant. What she may not know is that her baby's heart has been beating for four weeks, it can flex its fingers and toes, suck on his or her thumb and is totally dependent on her. She may not know where to turn. She is considering aborting this baby. She may be under pressure from others and think there is no other option. But many people, like us, do care enough to help her and her baby. All our prayers can make a difference between whether this baby will be born – or aborted. Our prayers can also be a form of spiritual support for both of the baby's parents. Please take a prayer card from the table in the Gathering Space and pray the ten-second prayer daily for your "adopted child." You are also encouraged to name your baby and give him or her an identity. At the end of the nine-month period, we will celebrate the "birth" of our spiritually adopted babies with a baby shower. In this way, we can also help, in a very tangible way, the mother as she brings to term a beautiful gift of life. All gifts collected at the shower will be given to Pregnancy Decision Health Centers and Birthright to help mothers in need. May God bless you and your loved ones.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH PLANNING SESSION

If you are a high school student and are interested in doing things with other high school students from the parish, please join us this Sunday, January 13, 2008, for a planning session. We can brainstorm ideas that you would like to take part in, from community service to bowling. We are open to all suggestions and ideas.

RESPECT LIFE HOLY HOUR

As we approach the 35th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court case which legalized abortion in this country, we remember the tragedy of more than 45 million babies lost to abortion and the devastating effects abortion has on women, men, their families and society. To help bring an end to the slaughter of innocent human life, we ask you to join us on Saturday, January 19, 2008, at 9:00 a.m. for a special hour as we pray the Rosary with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. The power of prayer can make a difference.

PRO-LIFE SIGNATURE AD – "VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS"

Please show your support for life by signing the Signature Ad/Voice for the Voiceless on the weekends of January 12/13 and 19/20. Respect Life Committee Volunteers will be in the Gathering Space collecting your signatures and donations for Columbus Right to Life. Your name will appear in an ad in the *Columbus Dispatch* on January 22 or January 29. Thank you for helping us to build the Culture of Life!

FAMILY LIFE OFFICE SPONSORS

WORKSHOP FOR DIVORCE PERSONS

The next eight-week workshop will be Tuesday evenings, from 7:00-9:00, on January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26 and end March 4, 2008, at the Catholic Center, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus. The fee is \$40.00 and scholarships are available. For additional information, call the Marriage and Family Life Office at 614-241-2560 or go to www.familylife.coldsdioc.org and click on the Hurting Families link, to print a brochure and registration form.

PARISH MEETINGS

Sunday, January 13, 2008

8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
Preschool during 8:30 and 10:15 a.m. Masses
RCIA Session, Room E
PSR, 9:40-11:00 a.m. and 11:25 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
6:00 p.m. High School Youth Planning Session

Monday, January 14, 2008

7:30 p.m. Guitar Practice

Tuesday, January 15, 2008

6:30 p.m. Sorrowful Mysteries before Mass
7:00 p.m. Mass, Caring Stitches
7:30 p.m. Baptismal Prep, Choir Practice

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

7:00 p.m. Liturgy Committee Meeting

Thursday, January 17, 2008

6:30 p.m. Platinum Club Dessert Potluck

Saturday, January 19, 2008

5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, January 20, 2008

8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., 12:00 noon Masses
PSR & RCIA
Hospitality/Nametag Sunday
Catholic School Fair

WORDS OF OUR PATRON, BLESSED POPE JOHN XXIII

Purity of heart, carefully and constantly guarded, becomes the rule, and the radiance, of our whole life, and of every word and deed. This virtue is the fine flower of Christian families, where it blooms as if on its natural soil; and it has an irresistible appeal for all. Like stainless snow veiling the mire which alas stains so much of this poor world which lies "in the power of the evil one" (1 John 5, 19), it commands the respect, even of unbelievers, even of those who may at times have mocked at it... Purity of heart is the serene atmosphere which surrounds every earnest vocation, the soil from which must bud and flower all other good intentions... Live in the light of this virtue... and guard it in prayer, mortification and study.
Taken from the book, *Prayers and Devotions from Pope John XXIII*, his personal thoughts for every day of the year.